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- (a) Each landowner who has not signed the petition is a respondent.
- (b) (1) The designated officer shall issue a summons to be served on each respondent.
- (2) A summons may be served by publication as to any respondent who cannot be served as provided by law.
- (c) (1) If a mortgage is held on land in the proposed drainage district, notice of the proceedings shall be given to the holder of the mortgage in the same manner as to a respondent.
- (2) A mortgage holder may appear before the county commissioners or county council in person or by counsel.

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